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Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER

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JUNE 28, 2012

GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON SHARED MUNICIPAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, communities such as Pawtucket, Central Falls, and East Providence are in financial crisis due to deep cuts in state aid, onerous pension obligations, and sharp increases in property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the fiscal health of our communities is a key priority of my administration, and alternative, innovative methods of delivering municipal services must be explored to determine if shared municipal services programs will result in mutual economic benefits for participating communities through greater efficiency and cost savings; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Pawtucket, Central Falls and East Providence are physically and financially situated to work together to explore and develop shared municipal services programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LINCOLN D. CHAFEE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations do hereby order as follows:

1. The Governor's Task Force on Shared Municipal Services is hereby established.
2. The members of the Task Force shall be appointed by the Governor and serve at the Governor's pleasure, and shall include the following:

- The Executive Director of the Rhode Island Public Expenditure Council, who shall serve as Chairperson
- The State Director of Revenue or designee
- The Mayor of the City of Pawtucket
- The Central Falls Receiver or designee
- The City Manager of East Providence.

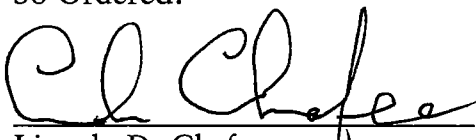
3. The Governor's Task Force on Shared Municipal Services shall:

- (a) Explore ways to provide shared municipal services among the three communities while achieving greater efficiency and cost savings, beginning in the area of public works.
- (b) Make recommendation to the cities of Pawtucket, Central Falls and East Providence on a course of action based upon results obtained by the Task Force, beginning in the area of public works.
- (c) Engage in any other activities consistent with recommending and facilitating shared municipal services programs in any other areas of municipal government in the cities of Pawtucket, Central Falls and East Providence.

The Governor's Task Force on Shared Municipal Services shall terminate on July 1, 2013, unless otherwise ordered by the Governor.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

So Ordered:


Lincoln D. Chafee